

Name: _____

Class Period: _____

Research Handout # _____

STEPS #1-5 Submission Form

Step 1: Light Research & Possible Topics

Due: _____

List 3 possible research topics below: (*I want to see "backup options" in case your first choice turns out unsuccessful*).

1)

2)

3)

Step 2: Conform Your Final Topic

Due: _____

- You may not "finalize" your topic until you have at least 2 credible sources on that topic.
- The topic/focus I've chosen for my paper will be _____
- Show your teacher your topic and 2 sources for approval.

***Submit your topic choice for approval.**

***Teacher's Signature** _____

Step 3: Conduct More Research

- Focus on your topic and subtopics to learn as much as possible.
- Find at least 3 credible sources on your topic (*1 book, 1 online article, 1 source of your choice*).
- Print out articles, read, and highlight information that relates to your topic and subtopics.
- Read books and fill in the chart for gathering book information (do not highlight in books!)

Step 4: Essential Questions:

- 1) What/who **motivated or inspired** the person/organization?
- 2) What **adversities or struggles** did the person/organization face?
- 3) What **accomplishments or impacts on society** is the person/organization known for as his/her/their legacy?

*Rewrite the essential questions to relate to the person/organization that you have chosen for your research topic:

1)

2)

3)

***Show your teacher your essential questions for approval.**

***Teacher's Signature** _____

Step 5: Thesis Statement

Due: _____

My thesis statement is.....

-->Highlight the three subtopics in your thesis.

*** Show your teacher your thesis statement for approval/grade check. *Teacher's Signature _____**